

FAKE LECTURER OUT FOR THE DOUGH

State Committee Exposes the
Duplicity of the Rev.
Seneca X. Swimme.

DEMOCRATS GET HIM

To Go Over Country and En-
deavor to Deceive Under
Guise of Lectures.

A letter was made public at Re-
publican state headquarters Wednes-
day, which shows up one Seneca X.
Swimme, who, employed by the
Democratic state committee, is de-
livering "a non-sectarian lecture" in
public school houses and churches on
"Civic Righteousness and National
Prosperity." The "lecture" is noth-
ing more or less than a campaign
speech for the Democratic party.
Swimme claims to be a Republican,
but is not supporting the ticket this
year because of Mr. Taft's religion
and because he thinks the state ad-
ministration all to the bad.
This change has come over him
since September 1 last, very evidently,
for on that date he wrote to Chair-
man S. V. Matthews from Hunting-
ton as follows:

Huntington, W. Va.,
September 1, 1908.
Hon. S. V. Matthews,
State Chairman.

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ALL HOPE IS GONE FOR DEMOCRATS

COLORED SPY DRIFTS AWAY

From the City Almost As
Soon As He Had
Drifted In.

The Democrats profess not to want
the colored vote and along this line
they are making loud protestations
against the Negroes voting. They
say the Negro is ignorant, does not
know how to vote and that he sells
his vote.

Developments here the last day or
so show that they are anxious to get
some colored votes, which is a con-
fession that they realize they will
need more votes than they can must-
er to win. They are even willing
now to accept all the Negro votes
they can get, though they so bitterly
hate the colored race and never let
an opportunity escape to berate,
abuse, degrade and otherwise injure
that race.

It developed that they ran across
a traitor to the colored race, a gen-
tleman of color, born in Virginia,
but recently of Charles Town, this
state. They found in this fellow, by
name W. M. McLaine, a willing hire-
ling and they doubtless promised to
pay him well, when they procured his
services to quietly go over this state
and do what he could to organize
Bryan clubs among the colored peo-
ple. The plan was to make believe
they were Bryan clubs, but the real
object was to get colored votes for
Bennett, the man who is going over
this state loudly declaring the
Negroes ought not to have the right
to vote and that if he is elected gov-
ernor he will see to it that they
never vote again.

The colored traitor drifted into
Clarksburg, after finding it un-
healthy for him at Weston, but he
quickly drifted out again, as he found
the colored race here lined up to a
man for Taft and the remainder of
the Republican ticket.

But, before he went he conferred
with some of the Democratic leaders
and their henchmen and a special
confab was held when he and the
News man got their heads together
and quietly talked it over. This
conference was looked upon by the
conferees as one of great import, so
much so that the mouthpiece of the
Democratic gangsters with an at-
tempt at diplomacy carefully and
painsstakingly tried to conceal the
spy's presence in the city.

The work mapped out for the
emissary of the Democratic state
committee to do here, however, did
not even arrive at the initial stage,
as the hope of the Democratic gang
found it convenient and salutary to
go hence hurriedly. He went back
to the Democratic state headquarters
without starting the commissioned
work here, and, unless he received
his pay in advance he has likely
learned by this time that there was
none coming.

George A. Murray is in Titusville,
Pa., to attend the funeral of Mrs. Pat-
rick J. Rigney.

FIRST MESSAGE

From Dr. Cook in Search of
the North Pole is Receiv-
ed in New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The first
message from Dr. Frederick Cook,
Arctic explorer, since he started for
the North Pole from a point north of
Etah, February 16 last, was received
in this city today. It was brought
here by Rudolph Franke, who accom-
panied Dr. Cook to a far winter base.
The message was written March 17
and brought to Franke at the base
about three weeks after Dr. Cook
started on his last stage journey. It
was dated Polar Sea, north of Cape
Hubbard, and it said up to that point
everything had gone well.

DAUGHTERS MEET.

HUNTINGTON, Oct. 14.—The state
council of the Daughters of Liberty
convened in fourth annual session
here today. There are twenty-four
subordinate councils. Stuart A.
Martin is state councillor.

BRYAN IN NEBRASKA.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Oct. 14.—Wili-
am Jennings Bryan began the sec-
ond day of his tour of Nebraska with
a speech at North Bend today.

BRYAN'S LATEST POLICY



McGraw and State Leaders of
The Democratic Party
Smell Defeat.

PARKERSBURG, Oct. 14.—Polit-
icians who have visited both head-
quarters—the Democratic state head-
quarters here, and the Republican
state headquarters at Clarksburg—
have expressed themselves as being
forcibly impressed with the differ-
ence between the two. As one of
them expressed it today to the cor-
respondent: "At Clarksburg there is
a large force of heads of departments
and employes working night and day,
while here there doesn't seem to be
much of anything stirring."

Another political observer says that
John T. McGraw in an interview in
the New York World the other day
when he said that Bryan had no
chance to carry West Virginia, though
Bennett might be elected if Col. Guf-
fey would intercede with the Standard
Oil Company for a large contribution
to the Bennett campaign fund, sized
up the situation half accurately.
The one-half inaccuracy was his
statement that Bennett had a chance.
But then, said this politician, Mc-
Graw was begging for funds, and he
had to give some plausible reason for
securing them. As a matter of fact,
he said, neither McGraw nor any other
Democrat prominently connected
with the Bennett campaign had any
honest belief that either Bennett or
Bryan would carry West Virginia.
Up till the time the Republican fac-
tions got together and united on
Glasscock they were hopeful and had
reason to be, but now they have no
hope of success at all.

BALLOONS MISSING

No News of Them Have Been
Received at Berlin for
Seventy-Two Hours.

BERLIN, Oct. 14.—No news has
been received here of the two missing
contestants in the balloon race for
the international cup that started
from Berlin Sunday. They are the
Busley, German, and Helvetia, Swiss.
It is seventy-two hours since they
sailed. Two competitors in Monday's
endurance race have also not report-
ed.

NOT TRUE

Are the Reports That the En-
gagement Has Been
Broken Off.

ROME, Oct. 14.—Numerous re-
ports sent from here giving rumors
of the breaking off of the engage-
ment between Katherine Elkins and
the Duke of Abruzzi are not true.

HUSBAND WITHDRAWS WARRANT

In Magistrate Gordon's court late
Tuesday afternoon, A. J. Bartlett, of
West Milford, withdrew the warrant
he had sworn out against his wife and
Henry Williams charging them with
having improper relations with each
other, and the case was dismissed.
Bartlett said his witnesses went back on
him.

"Your Labor Union men are a lot of public beggars,
and your Unions are a nuisance."—WM. J. BRYAN.

At a public meeting in Wheeling, M. M. Garland, ex-President
of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, declared
that Wm. J. Bryan had used the above words to him and to James
Campbell, President of the Amalgamated Window Glass Workers.
Is M. M. Garland a truthful man? Let the workmen of this
city answer.

TAFT WILL SPEAK HERE 40 MINUTES

On His Trip Through West
Virginia Tuesday of
Next Week.

The itinerary of William H. Taft
through West Virginia Tuesday next
week on his special train has been
announced. It will give him oppor-
tunity for a forty-minute speech in
Clarksburg in the afternoon.

Mr. Taft will be joined at Martins-
burg by Hon. W. E. Glasscock, who
will accompany him through his dis-
trict, and Senator Nathan B. Scott
will be a distinguished passenger on
the special.

The schedule for Mr. Taft's train
for next Tuesday is as follows:

Arrive.	Leave
A.M.	P.M.
Martinsburg	8:00
Cumberland, Md.	10:45
Keyser	11:33

Piedmont	11:50	11:55
Terra Alta	1:26	1:31
Rowlesburg	1:51	1:56
Grafton	3:03	3:33
Clarksburg, (Republican Headquarters)	4:18	4:58
Salem	5:29	5:34
West Union	5:58	6:03
Pennsboro	6:28	6:33
Calro	5 minutes stop	
Parkersburg	8:00	

WOODMEN TO MEET

Tonight the Woodmen of the
World will hold a meeting. There
will be initiations and important
business.

KNOWLES IN CHARGE.

Joseph E. Knowles has assumed
charge of the lunch counter at the
Metropolitan and is giving a fine ser-
vice, every line being up to date.

SPENDS NIGHT IN JAIL FOR RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Liveryman Has Ed. Morrison
Arrested But Warrant
is Withdrawn.

As a consequence of a runaway acci-
dent on the West Milford road between
Clarksburg and West Milford last
Monday evening in which a buggy was
damaged, Ed. Morrison, of the East
End, spent Tuesday night in jail. He
was arrested by Constable Ford Tues-
day evening on a warrant issued from
Magistrate Gordon's court at the in-
stance of G. Haley, agent for C. Shan-
non, liveryman, which charge him with
damaging the vehicle wilfully. Mor-
rison was placed in jail in default of
bond and his hearing set for Saturday.
But Wednesday morning his wife made
arrangements with Shannon for a pay-
ment of the damage done and the war-
rant was withdrawn.

MRS. RIGNEY DEAD.

Mrs. Patrick J. Rigney is dead at
her home in Titusville, Pa. Death was
the result of a severe cold contracted at
the time of the fire in the Martin build-
ing here some time ago, where Mr. and
Mrs. Rigney had rooms. The burial
will be at Titusville.

MANY TO GO.

It is announced that quite a number
of resident Baptists will go to Par-
kersburg tomorrow to attend the
general association, which is in ses-
sion there this week.

Louis Bennett a Taxdodger

It has been shown how Louis Bennett objected to the increase in
the assessment of some of his lands from \$2.50 to \$15 an acre, had
the county court reduce it to \$12 an acre, and then sold the timber
alone for \$17 an acre, retaining the land and the minerals.

There are further reasons why Louis Bennett is opposed to the
tax laws. Like certain other coal and timber barons he escaped his
share of taxation under the old laws and the new laws have com-
pelled him to pay more. Here are a few instances of Mr. Bennett's
taxes under the old and the new laws:

Acreage.	Valuations.		Taxes.	
	Old Laws.	New Laws.	Old Laws.	New Laws.
1,183.18*	\$19,177	\$48,263	\$240.66	\$491.76
12,560.5	\$31,424	\$127,463	\$639.93	\$1,017.61
5,766.33	\$18,768	\$57,094	\$332.30	\$566.67

*Includes 12 lots in Weston.

Increase in Bennett's Taxes.		
Lewis county		\$251.10
Gilmer county		327.68
Calhoun county		244.37
Total		\$823.15

It should be borne in mind that most of Mr. Bennett's properties
are wild lands, inherited from his ancestors, rich in timber, coal, oil
and gas. He has never been a developer but has followed the policy
of allowing his lands to lie idle until their increasing value enabled
him to dispose of them at immense profit. Like the Astors of New
York, he has allowed others to assume the cost and risk of devel-
opment while he has reaped the benefits.

BOILER EXPLODES KILLING BARNES

And Seriously Injuring Farm
Boss at Oil Well Near
Bristol.

By the explosion of a boiler at an
oil derrick on the John W. Williams
farm, two and one-half miles from
Bristol in the Indian Run field, Wed-
nesday morning at 10:30 o'clock,
Harvey Barnes, an employee of the
South Penn Oil Company, was killed
and Heber Rankin, the farm boss,
was seriously, perhaps fatally injur-
ed. Barnes's body was torn to
pieces. Rankin had both legs broken
and the flesh blown from them and
other parts of his body.

Mr. Barnes was a brother of John
Barnes, of the firm of Cost & Holden,
hardware dealers, of this city. He
was 24 years old and leaves a widow
and two children. Only a short
time ago he was the victim of an oil
well accident in which he had an arm
broken and sustained other injuries.
His home was on Cherry Camp Run
whither his remains were taken.

MINE FIRE

In Prussia Results in the Loss
of the Lives of Three
Coal Miners.

KOENIGSHETTE, Prussia, Oct. 14.—
Fire broke out this morning in one
of the galleries of the Koenigschette
coal mine. About one hundred men
are imprisoned in the gallery, and
it was feared that all would be lost.
Six bodies were brought to the sur-
face. The others managed to escape
through an adjoining shaft.

POST CHILD

Dies at the Home of its Parents at
Baxter, This State.

Anna, the bright little daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Worthy Post, of Baxter,
former residents of Clarksburg, died
this week at her home after a short
illness of diphtheria. She was aged
six years.

The numerous friends of Mr. and
Mrs. Post sympathize with them
deeply in their very sad bereavement.
The little girl was sick a few weeks
ago but she had apparently recover-
ed, when she was taken suddenly ill
again with diphtheria, which caused
her death after a short attack.

TAFT COMES

Into West Virginia Tonight
and Will Speak in the
City of Wheeling.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Oct. 14.—
The Taft special left here this morn-
ing to conclude his third day in Ohio.
Wheeling will be reached this even-
ing. At midnight tonight the candi-
date will begin his journey into the
South, which will occupy him the
next three days.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 14.—Wheat 1.00,
corn 63 5-8, oats 48 1-4.

QUITE LARGE AND ROUSING

Are the Receptions Given in
McDowell County to
Mr. Glasscock.

WELCH, Oct. 14.—More than
5,000 people greeted Hon. William
E. Glasscock at Welch and Gary last
night, the candidate addressing
1,500 voters at Gary, and then go-
ing by special train to Welch where
more than 3,500 McDowell voters met
him at the station and escorted him
to the court house, where the speak-
ing took place.

In one of the strongest speeches he
has yet made Mr. Glasscock analyzed
state and national issues pointing out
and emphasizing the strong planks
of the Republican platform. The roof
of the court house was fairly raised
by applause and cheering. The great
throng—the largest ever assembled
in Welch for any campaign rally—
paraded the streets of the city from
the station to the court house.

At Gary, early in the evening,
more than 1,500 voters attended an
open-air meeting. Mr. Glasscock
and Taylor Vinson spoke from a plat-
form erected for the meeting. Both
made good speeches, dealing with
both state and national questions.

Colonel Browning, of Pocahontas
county, also spoke.

ON THE WANE

Is the Interest of Detroit in the
Final Game of Cham-
pionship Series.

DETROIT, Oct. 14.—Local interest
in the world's championship baseball
contest was perceptibly on the wane
when today's crowds began turning
their faces toward Bennett Park.
With three victories to the credit of
Chicago the possibility of the vis-
itors winning the deciding and final
victory was too evident.

MANY BAPTIZED

Former Clarksburg Pastor Immersed
Twenty-Six in Kanawha River

The ordinance of baptism was ad-
ministered in the Kanawha river at
Dana Sunday afternoon to twenty-six
converts of a meeting that was held
there by the Baptist church of Put-
ney, says the Charleston Gazette.
Rev. R. B. McDaniel, of the Calvary
Baptist church, of Charleston, bap-
tized the candidates in the presence
of several hundred spectators. The
Campbell's Creek railroad ran a spe-
cial train from Putney, and convey-
ed all the people to the river free.
The meeting at Putney was conducted
by Rev. Mr. McDaniel and Rev. W. H.
Kersey, and resulted in nearly forty
accessions to the church. Others are
yet to be baptized.

Miss Maude Walsh returned this
morning from Parkersburg, where she
attended the Nordica concert.